

### MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

### DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

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### PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY IN ITS ENTIRETY

#### THIS IS IN REGARD TO YOUR POTENTIAL ELIGIBILITY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

If you have already contacted your Regional Claims Center (RCC) and updated your claim records including your weekly certifications (claims) after federal legislation passed, you do not need to contact the Division of Employment Security (DES). Continue filing your weekly certifications (claims).

# INFORMATION REGARDING EXTENSION OF ELIGIBLITY FOR FEDERAL EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION 2008 (EUC08) AND STATE EXTENDED BENEFITS (EB)

Federal legislation has passed that extends the payment of unemployment benefits to certain eligible claimants for weeks beginning on or after May 30, 2010.

These benefits include four tiers of federal Emergency Unemployment Compensation 2008 (EUC08) benefits and state Extended Benefits (EB). This legislation does <u>not</u> add any additional tiers of benefits (for example, there is no EUC08 Tier 5); it only extends the time period for those workers who have not yet received these benefits to apply for and receive them.

The DES records indicate you <u>may</u> be eligible for these benefits. The instructions below inform you <u>what is required</u> in order for the DES to determine your eligibility. This notice does <u>not</u> mean you will receive these benefits. These benefits are potentially available for workers who were not able to apply for EUC08 benefits or state EB since the program phase out went into effect on May 30, 2010.

If you were unemployed and did not receive additional benefits for weeks following May 30, 2010, due to the program phase out and are now back to work, locate the benefit you were on (see the information below) prior to the phase out deadline and follow the required instructions to request benefits for those weeks you were not working. If you are presently working, do not quit your job in anticipation of receiving additional benefits.

### EXHAUSTED REGULAR STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (UI) BENEFITS:

If you have exhausted your regular Missouri UI claim and have not filed for EUC08 benefits, you must:

- Call an RCC between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday.
- Select menu "Option 5" to file for extended unemployment benefits.
  - The initial application for EUC08 benefits <u>must</u> be made by calling an RCC; <u>it cannot be made</u> by using the Internet.
- File weekly certifications (claims) using the automated telephone system or Internet by visiting www.moclaim.mo.gov as instructed.

# EXHAUSTED EUCO8 Tier 1, 2, or 3 AND CONTINUED FILING WEEKLY CERTIFICATIONS (CLAIMS):

If you have exhausted a previous tier of EUC08 benefits and could not have the next tier added due to the program phase out and continued to file the weekly certifications (claims):

• No additional action is necessary on your part.

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- The next EUC08 tier will be added and you will be mailed a monetary determination.
- Continue to file the weekly certifications (claims).
  - Use the automated telephone system or Internet site at <a href="www.moclaim.mo.gov">www.moclaim.mo.gov</a>, "View Claim Status," to track when the next tier of EUC08 benefits is added and weeks are processed.

## EXHAUSTED EUC08 Tier 1, 2, or 3 AND DID NOT CONTINUE FILING WEEKLY CERTIFICATIONS (CLAIMS):

If you have exhausted a previous tier of EUC08 benefits and could not have the next tier added due to the program phase out and did <u>not</u> continue to file the weekly certifications (claims):

• It will be necessary for you to contact the RCC as instructed above.

### **EXHAUSTED EUC08 TIER 4:**

If you have exhausted all four tiers of EUC08 benefits, you <u>may</u> be eligible for state EB:

- Call an RCC to file the initial claim for state EB and select menu "Option 5" to file for extended unemployment benefits.
- You will be sent paper certification (claim) forms that are required by law to be completed each week and to record your work search.
- Current weeks filed under the state EB claim must be submitted on paper forms due to legislative program requirements.

### **STATE EB STOPPED:**

If you have an existing state EB claim and were not able to receive the balance because the program stopped:

- Call an RCC to reactivate this claim and select menu "Option 5" to file for extended unemployment benefits.
- Weekly paper certification (claim) forms will resume being sent to you.

**PLEASE NOTE:** When you contact the RCC, staff will take the information necessary to submit weekly certifications (claims) for any applicable back weeks. In addition, the DES will check to see if you are <u>eligible</u> to establish a new regular state UI claim. If you are not eligible for regular state UI benefits at this time, you will continue receiving available EUC08 benefits or state EB until you exhaust, or the program ends, or you again become eligible for a regular state UI claim. Due to programming, payment could take up to 3 – 5 weeks.

#### TRADE READJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE (TRA) PROGRAM:

If you currently are receiving weekly payments under the Trade Readjustment Assistance (TRA) program:

- You are required to establish a claim and file for all benefits available under this additional extension before you can again begin receiving weekly benefits under the TRA program.
- Subsistence payments will continue to be processed using the "Weekly Claim for Trade Readjustment Allowances" (MODES-TRA-22-3).

### **Regional Claims Centers**

Jefferson City	573-751-9040
Kansas City	816-889-3101
St. Louis	314-340-4950
Springfield	417-895-6851
Outside Local Calling Area	800-320-2519